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Group: 3651  
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AMENDMENT  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

May 22, 2000

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application,  
please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-26 without disclaimer or prejudice  
and insert new claims 27-33 as follows:

--27. A conveyor belt built with a number of chain links  
which are joined together in a hinge-like manner by means of  
transverse rods through openings in the individual chain links,  
from chain links of at least two link types, comprising:

(a) edge chain links having a one-sided reinforcement  
and for positioning in outer parts of the belt; and